(c) The facility has been provided for testing of soil and water samples drawn from demonstration and on-farm trial plots and also for the samples made available by farmers in the district.

(d) The farmers are being provided the soil and water testing facility on very nominal payment basis.

Proposal for IGIRC for animals

1523. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has sanctioned any amount for the Indira Gandhi International Research Centre for Animals at Pulivendula, Kadapa District of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, by when the amount would be sanctioned for this prestigious project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) Indira Gandhi International Research Centre for Animals is functioning under the State Government of Andhra Pradesh. No funds have been sanctioned by the Ministry of Agriculture.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

Proposal from Andhra Pradesh Government for Meat Development Corporation

1524. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has received any proposal from the Government of Andhra Pradesh for Meat Development Corporation;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the action taken thereon so far; and

(d) if not, by when action would be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) No, Sir, Ministry has not received any proposal from the Government of Andhra Pradesh for Meat Development Corporation.

(b) to (d) Question does not arise.

Cultivation of raw material for bio-fuel

1525. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether World Bank's findings have revealed that 83 per cent increase in food prices has taken place in the last four years;